STATE OF MINNESOTA

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AGRICULTURAL CERTIFICATION DIVISION

GRAIN INSPECTION

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FEES FOR GRAIN INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES

EFFECTIVE: JUNE 14, 2004





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INSPECTION POINTS

BRECKENRIDGE - 718 Minnesota Street

DULUTH - 716 Garfield Avenue

GRANITE FALLS - Hwy 212 Office Plaza

MANKATO - 2132 Hoffman Road

MINNEAPOLIS - 316 Grain Exchange Building

MORRIS - HSC Elevator, West 5th & GN Track

SAVAGE - Port Bunge Located on Highway 13

WINDOM - 1043 4th Avenue

WINONA - (Seasonal -Sampling Only) 988 Riverview

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EFFECTIVE DATE

This revised schedule of fees is effective June 14, 2004. The Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) must approve all fees for official services and OAs will assess only those fees appearing on their current approved fee schedule.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The fees set forth in this schedule relate to the sampling, inspection, weighing, and certification services at permanently staffed inspection points. Federal Grain Inspection Service Supervision Fees are assessed in accordance with the schedule shown on page 13 of this schedule. These federal fees are included where possible.

REGULAR HOURS

Inspection Services -7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

(Duluth- 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Sampling and Weighing Services -8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

(Metro- 7:00 to 3:30 p.m. / Duluth -8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

These hours are for Monday through Friday. All other hours, including Saturday, Sunday, and all Holidays, shall be considered overtime unless a concurrent second or third shift exists at a permanently staffed location.

HOLIDAYS*

New Years Day
Martin Luther King's Day
President's Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day

Labor Day Veteran's Day Thanksgiving Day Day After Thanksgiving Christmas Day

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^{*} Holidays falling on a Saturday are observed on the Friday before the Holiday. Holidays falling on Sunday are observed on the following Monday.

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SERVICE REQUESTS

To assure prompt service at designated inspection points beyond the regular hours, request must be received by:

- 1. 12:00 noon for 2nd or 3rd shifts, Monday through Friday.
- 2. 2:00 p.m. of the preceding workday for services on Saturday, Sunday, or Holidays.
- 3. 2:00 p.m. on the preceding workday for services at locations not permanently staffed.

CANCELLATIONS

A minimum of four (4) hours standby per employee will be assessed for requested service unless the request is canceled by:

- 1. 12:00 noon for 2nd or 3rd shift on regular workdays.
- 2. 2:00 p.m. on the regular workday preceding the Saturday, Sunday, or Holidays.

HOURLY CHARGES

Regular Hours -\$30.00 per hour per employee (Includes travel time). (The hourly rate will be charged in addition to the unit rate if the average loading time is less than four cars per hour).

Overtime Hours -\$15.00 per hour per employee when loading or unloading is in process.

Standby Overtime -\$45.00 per hour per employee (Includes travel time).

Hourly charges will apply when:

- 1. no other fee is established
- 2. appropriate fee does not cover the cost of provided services.
 - a. Service requested during overtime hours.
 - b. Travel time when services are requested at locations other than permanently established service points.
- 3. Standby or down-time occurs for requested services that cannot be provided through no fault of the Department.

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4. No contract is in effect which requires a different hourly or unit rate charge.

A minimum of three (3) hours, at the appropriate overtime rate, will be assessed on Saturday, Sunday, or Holidays.

TRAVEL EXPENSES

Mileage charge of \$.30 per round trip mile will be assessed. Mileage charges for out-state sampling will be assessed from the sampling point to the nearest freight drop or service point. Mileage will be prorated when applicable.

When an employee incurs additional expenses (i.e., meals, lodging, etc.) while performing requested services, the expenses will be charged back to the applicant. When employee is required to work ten (10) or more consecutive hours during continuous loading or unloading operations, the cost of a meal will be charged back to the applicant.

SUNFLOWER SEED OIL TEST

Requests for oil tests for sunflower seed will be forwarded to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture in Superior. Test results and billing for these services will be handled by their official agency.

SCALE FACILITY INSPECTIONS

Scales intended for official weighing must be reviewed and approved prior to use. We can assist you with this process at an hourly rate which includes the following:

- 1. On-site review of weighing area.
- 2. Review of scale readouts to ensure State supervisory needs are met.
- 3. Weighing handbook.
- 4. Up to four (4) hours of training for elevator personnel to advise them of their responsibilities.
- 5. Facility handbook.

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MECHANICAL SAMPLER INSTALLATION INSPECTIONS (NEW OR MAJOR MODIFICATIONS)

Mechanical sampler intended for official sampling must be reviewed and approved prior to use. We can assist you with this process at an hourly rate which includes the following.

- 1. On-site review of sampler's planned work area and blueprints.
- 2. On-site review of in progress installation.
- 3. Final on-site review of installation prior to checktesting.
- 4. Checktest for approval.

TIMELY PAYMENT

Invoices will be issued monthly for services rendered. If payment is not received within thirty (30) days of the invoiced month, the account may be referred to the Minnesota Collection Enterprise for collection. A charge of \$15.00 will be assessed for all returned checks. Services may be withheld until the delinquent account is paid in full. Delinquent accounts may be subject to prepayment for requested services.

CONTRACT

Contracts for official sample-lot or submitted sample services are available. The contracts can be tailored to meet customer needs and may deviate from unit prices where the volume and work performed allow an efficiency of operation which can be reflected in the contract price.

Contracts for commercial services are available for high volume operations. The contracts can be tailored to meet customer needs and may deviate from the single unit prices on the commercial fee schedule where the volume and grain quality factors allow an efficiency of operation which can be reflected in the contract price. Contracts of this nature are allowed under the U.S. Grain Standards of 1976 Act 7 USC 78, the applicable Federal rules in the 800 series established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Commissioner's authority under MN. Statute 17B Grain Inspection.

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SERVICES UNDER THE U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT

Official Inspection Services - Includes sampling EXCEPT as indicated.

Unit Inspection Fees (Inspection Results includes test weight, moisture, dockage (if applicable), and all factors relevant to the numerical grade applied.)

Bulk grain*, cargo*, barge** or local**, per 1,000 bushels rounded up to the nearest 1,000 per unit. Maximum barge fee will not exceed 69,000 bushels by either method
Probe or pelican sample
D/T sample *FGIS User Fees for Ships is \$0.016 per metric ton for inspection and/or weighing. **FGIS User Fee is \$6.15.
Railcars, per car, includes all methods of sampling
Truck/trailer, per carrier, probe sample
Submitted sample, per sample
Warehousemen sample, per sample
Mechanical sampler checktest samples, per sample
Reinspection, based on new sample, barges not included applicable carrier fee plus \$5.00
Reinspection, based on file sample, per sample
Portion of State file sample
Extra factor, any factor (in addition to grade) which
Waxy Corn Determination, (100 kernel endosperm test), per test, with inspection 8.00

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Reference fee will be assessed, in addition to unit fee, when transport unit is necessary due to sample size being less than 500 grams. A control cell charge (Maximum of 5 cells) will be assessed, in addition to unit fee, for the Neogen Veratox test if less than 3 tests are requested.

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UNIT WEIGHING FEES

CLASS X WEIGHING Railcars, per car
CLASS Y WEIGHING Railcars, per car
FGIS User Fees**X=\$6.15, Y=\$1.55. SERVICE CHARGES
STOWAGE EXMINATIONS Requiring certification, applicable hourly standby rate applies at loading site plus \$.20 FGIS fee. Applicable hourly standby rate plus mileage at other than loading site plus \$.20 FGIS fee. Groups of barges in the fleet yards, when requested by the barge Company, per barge. Minimum of 5 barges
EXPORT STOWAGE EXAMINATION Vessel at pier, per request
Export divided original certificates, sets of 3 or less, per set
Duplicate or Corrected copies of certificates, each

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Letterhead statements, each	10.00
Dual coded certificate distribution	0.70
Additional approved statements, per statement	2.25
OTHER CHARGES	
Sample bag deposit, per bag	2.25
Mileage	0.30
Returned Checks	15.00
Postage, Special Handling, Etc.	Actual Cost

Service requests not covered by these fees will be performed at the applicable hourly rate stated herein unless the work is being performed under a separate contract. When the fees assessed do not equal the cost of providing the service, the applicable hourly standby rate will apply. Time charges are assessed in quarter hour increments.

PORTION SIZES

As a reminder, the portion sizes necessary for inspection and lab work are as follow:

Full Grade	1,000 grams
Protein/Oil Analysis of Soybeans	800 grams
Protein Analysis of Wheat	600 grams
Official Aflatoxin (Barge/Sublot)	10 lbs
Official Aflatoxin (Truck)	2 lbs
Official Aflatoxin (Railcar)	3 lbs
Submitted Aflatoxin (Recommended)	10 lbs

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OFFICIAL COMMERCIAL INSPECTIONS

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Effective May 1, 1992, Official Commercial inspections are offered and are available on a unit fee for service basis or under a contract for service which would be negotiated, on a case by case basis, from our officially approved fee schedule.

COMMERCIAL INSPECTION UNIT FEES

SAMPLING	
Rail Car, per carrier	
Using 6'open throat probe	
Using 10' official core probe	12.00
Stowage when requested	5.10
Truck/Trailer, per carrier	
Using 6' open throat probe, core	
or gravity probe	4.90
INSPECTION, per unit	7.50
File sample retained	
Official certificate issued in	
lieu of results of Commercial	
Service work record	2.00
Reinspection of retained file sample	
PROTEIN, Official Method	
Protein only -Wheat	3.85
File sample retained (wheat)	55
Oil and Protein Test, Soybeans	
File sample retained (soybeans)	
Official certificate issued in	
lieu of results of Commercial	
Service work record	1 10

Any reinspection requested will be on same basis as original work in regard to portion size, certificate issued, etc.

Any commercial work requests that are not covered by either these fees or a separate contract may be quoted separately.

Laboratory services are available under the Commercial Inspection Service. There are no approved portion or work saving methods currently approved.

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THE FOLLOWING FGIS SUPERVISION FEES ARE INCLUDED WHERE POSSIBLE WHEN THIS FEE APPIES

Factor Only, maximum 2 factors	20
Factor only, excess 2 factors, same as grade carrier fee	20
Railcars, each	0.5
Truck/trailer, each	
Barge, per inspection	(15
Ships per metric ton for inspection and/or weighing	0.15
Submitted sample	\$0.010
Reinspection	
Stowage, Ship certificate	2.00
Stowage, other than ship	
Other, i.e., sample only	20
Class X Weights, Truck/trailer	
Class X Weights, Railcar, Hopper or Boxcar	
Class X Weights, Barge, each	
Class X Weights, Ship, per metric ton for inspection and/or weighing	0.15
Protein, initial or reinspection	\$0.016
Class Y Weights, Truck/trailer	20
Class Y Weights, Railcar, Hopper or Boxcar	20
Class Y Weights, Barge, each	
Class Y ship shall be assessed for shipments destined for domestics markets only	12 30



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SERVICES NOT UNDER THE U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT

ALL OTHER GRAINS

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Protein Analysis, with inspection	5.00
Protein Analysis, only	
Protein Retest	
Aflatoxin Screening (U.V. Light)	
Malting Quality Test (24 hr germination), per test	
Falling Numbers, per test	

Where requests are for less than the full service listed above and the customer needs no certificate and/or file sample retained, the unit prices for unofficial services may be adjusted accordingly.